



**HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Wednesday, February 15, 2017**

The Citizens' Advisory Council meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. at the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

**Present:** Larry Aaronson, Janet Bahouth, Thomas C. Beach III, William Brockett, Larry Buehler, Sandy Cederbaum, Johnny Cipolla, Lesley Flaim, Brittany Geger, Andrew Hall Sr, Eileen Harrity, Kimberly Harrity, Linda Lee Hickerson, Adia Moore, Peter Newman, Stephen Pidliskey, Timothy Pierce, Susan Watkins, Gary Weinberg, Nollie Wood Jr, Chief Gary Gardner.

**Absent/Excused:** Vivian Bailey, Barb Mueller, Dr. Lewis Saunders, Raghid Shourbaji, Camella Williams and Lieutenant Tanya Riffle.

**Guests:** Reverend Janelle Bruce, Jeff Kulik, and Lorna Rudnikas

**Chairperson – Ms. Lesley Flaim**

- Opened the meeting and reminded the Council that the meeting was being recorded.
- Ms. Flaim welcomed guests Jeff Kulik and Lorna Rudnikas
- December Minutes approved as distributed. No January meeting.

**Chief's Report – Chief Gary Gardner**

➤ **Crime Stats**

Chief Gardner spoke of crime stats for January 2017 verses crime stats from 2016.

➤ **Council Bill 9 - Sanctuary Bill**

- Passed 3-2, County Exec vetoed it, the override vote is on March 6<sup>th</sup>

➤ **Polar Bear Plunge** – participated again, we've been involved since day one.

➤ **Retirements**

- Joanie Cook retired after 48 1/2 years with the Police Department. A dinner planned on March 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Mike Price in Operational Preparedness at the end of March.

➤ **State of the County** is on Thursday, February 16th at the Chamber at Turf Valley

➤ **Academy 41 Graduation** on April 27<sup>th</sup> at Bridgeway.

➤ **Awards Ceremony** tentatively on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

➤ **Memorial Ceremony** is yet to be determined, probably the first week in May

➤ **3<sup>rd</sup> District station/Headquarters** will be presented to the County Executive and his staff proposal.



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- **Body worn Cameras** – Two vendors have been identified and currently working with purchasing to get it running for early to mid spring.
- **Change for CAC** –Karen Donovan assuming CAC duties and Roberta will concentrate more on the Police Foundation.
- Chief reminded all that Ms. Bailey turned 99 years old.

**Saturation Patrol – Lt. Jeff Specht.**

Lt. Specht from the Traffic Enforcement Division came and provided an overview on the success the Howard County Police Department has had with saturation patrols verses DUI checkpoints.

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- Volenick Award – commemorating the founders of the CAC- criteria to be sent electronically by Lesley, nominations to be sent to Lesley by next meeting.
- October 2017 will mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CAC
  - Voted to have a celebration
  - Lesley will send out a survey on what kind of celebration then the next meeting it will be voted on. Dr. Wood will assist with the draft of the survey.
  - Volunteers requested for a committee to organize the celebration

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

Approved: LF